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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the necessary papers for filing the following application for Letters Patent:

Applicant : DAVID WHITTEN ET AL.

Title : VARIABLE LENGTH CUTTING DEVICE

6 sheets of formal drawings in triplicate. A check in the amount of \$690.00 covering the filing fee. Information Disclosure Statement and 3 References.

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